

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the
Commission's Proposed Policies and Programs
Governing Post-2003 Low-Income Assistance
Programs

Rulemaking 04-01-006

**ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER'S RULING
INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO
THE LOW INCOME OVERSIGHT BOARD**

By this Ruling, I hereby invite individuals who are interested in filling a public member position on the Low Income Advisory Board (LIOB) to submit a letter of interest and a resumé, including references. The appointment is for an one-year term commencing upon appointment by the Commission. Persons who are interested in this position must have expertise in the low-income community and cannot be affiliated with any state agency or utility group.

The LIOB advises the Commission on low-income electric and gas customer issues and serves as a liaison for the Commission to low-income ratepayers and representatives. As set forth in Public Utilities Code Section 382.1, the responsibilities of the LIOB are to: ¹

¹ All statutory references are to the Public Utilities Code, unless otherwise noted.

1. Monitor and evaluate implementation of all programs provided to low-income electricity and natural gas customers.
2. Assist in the development and analysis of any assessments of low-income electricity and gas customer need.
3. Encourage collaboration between state and utility programs for low-income electricity and gas customers to maximize the leverage of state and federal energy efficiency funds to both lower the bills and increase the comfort of low-income customers.
4. Provide reports to the Legislature, as requested, summarizing the assessment of needs, audits, and analysis of program implementation.
5. Assist in streamlining the application and enrollment process of programs for low-income electricity and natural gas customers with general low-income programs, including, but not limited to, the ULTS program.
6. Encourage the usage of the network of community service providers in accordance with Section 381.5.

The LIOB alternates meeting locations between northern, central and southern California. The LIOB holds 4 to 5 meetings annually with additional meetings and/or conference calls as necessary. Members of the LIOB are eligible for compensation in accordance with the state's travel guidelines.

Upon receipt and review of the applications, candidates will be selected for interviews. The final nominee must be approved by the full Commission.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that:

Individuals interested in being appointed as a public member of the Low Income Oversight Board may submit a letter of interest and a resumé, including references, by no later than June 15, 2005 to:

Manuel Ramirez
CPUC Energy Division
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dated May 10, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ DIAN M. GRUENEICH

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Assigned Commissioner

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Assigned Commissioner's Ruling Inviting Applications for Appointment to the Low Income Oversight Board on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated May 10, 2005 at San Francisco, California.

/s/ EVELYN P. GONZALES

Evelyn P. Gonzales

N O T I C E

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